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**RESPONSE TO ELECTION OF SPECIES REQUIREMENT**

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Dear Sir:

In response to the restriction requirement set forth in the Office Action mailed October 20, 2005, Applicant hereby provisionally elects claims Species II, Fig 2 for continued examination.

The Examiner has required restriction between

Species I, Figure 1

Species II, Figure 2

Species III, Figure 3

Species IV, Figure 4

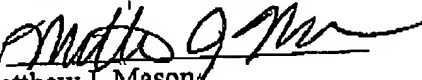
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